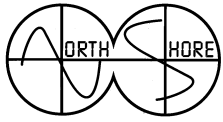


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## The Christmas Banquet:





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## Remembering a Member of Our Club:

By now you should have heard of the passing of Roy Miller VE3AAF in Early December. Roy was involved in the Club and supported its activities. As we remember those who helped to build the Club, making it what it is today and those are involved today we should all be very grateful for their work and their efforts. President John F. Kenedy raised the challenge in his inaugural speech: "Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country". Our gratitude to the senior members of Our Club, should extend to where we pick up the traces and pull with them into the future. It has been expressed in the past by many in the Club that we have a great Club. I for one agree. Let's keep working and improving a Great Club.

## VA3LTB Remembers Roy Miller VE3AAF:

Roy was well known in the club / s and he received numerous Appreciation Awards for his tireless effort in promoting Amateur Radio. In the mid 90's when the club was looking for a net controller Roy stepped forward and offered his services. Every Thursday night his voice was heard all over the region for numerous years. Upon obtaining my license, one of the first calls I heard was VE3AAF. As a senior member of Our Club his knowledge and expertise in Amateur Radio will surely be missed.

Les VA3LTB

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## Remembering a Member of Our Club:

You should remember hearing of the passing of Charles Forsey VE3UEM during the Christmas Season. Another one of our number has gone on to his reward. Each member of the Club is like "family". Their passing leaves its mark on each one of us in different ways. Take the time to talk with the "family", let's pull together as we move into 2005.

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## Just when you thought it was safe to go back on the Internet:

They're now saying that "www" stands for "Wild Wild West". Here's a little note that I got in Mid December that might interest you.

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From: -----  
Sent: Wednesday, December 15, 2004 10:59 AM  
To: KORONOVICH Ken  
Subject: --Penn State Urges Students Not to Use Internet Explorer  
(9 December 2004)

Pennsylvania State University's Information technology services department has sent a notice to all students at the school, urging them to switch from Internet Explorer to other, safer browsers. The school has recently completed a two-month security awareness campaign encouraging the use of firewalls, anti-virus software and regular installation of operating system updates.[http://news.com.com/2102-1002\\_3-5485834.html?tag=st.util.print](http://news.com.com/2102-1002_3-5485834.html?tag=st.util.print)  
<http://www.securitypipeline.com/55301621>

Jim

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## Things to remember for the coming year:

February:	GOTA	February 19	Camp Adanac - Shirley Road
	Bancroft Dog Sled Races	February 19 and 20	Bancroft, Ontario
April:	HAMFEST	April 23	Iroquois Centre, Whitby
May:	Camp X Memorial	May 28 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>	Whitby
June:	Field Day		
	Canoe the Nonquon Event	June 4	Port Perry
July:	Canada Day Event		Lake Shore Park in Oshawa
August:	Oshawa Cycle Club Circle		
	Century Tour	August 21	(Yet to be confirmed)
September:	Paul's Dirty Enduro	September 17	(Date to be confirmed)
October:	Newcastle Walk-A-		
	Dogathon Event	October 1st	
	CIBC Run for the		
	Cure Event	October 2nd	

There will be other events too. Set aside the time to help the Club help the Community. Remember to do your ARES training at the first opportunity.

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## Coming Soon, Tune up your Code on VE3OSH:

Howard VE3TYQ will be starting code practice on VE3OSH before the weekly net. **Start time is 19:30Z, speed 10WPM, starting the first Wednesday of February 2005 and each Wednesday after that.** Howard says, "I hope this works out for me as I started to do this at my old address and I had to stop doing it because I was getting into the cable & locking up other tenants computers when they were on the internet & coming across their speakers. At this new address I hope I have better luck." What a great opportunity to "get" your code.

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## A Look Back at Our Club:

Here's something you'll all enjoy.....

Subject: From SPARKS the NSARC bulletin October 1969  
Date: Sun, 9 Jan 2005 15:10:09 -0500  
From: Ralph Day  
To: Ken

Hi Ken, the executive of 1969 as well as some past projects of our club members.

President- Mike Sherba VE3DKW, Vice President- Ken Aston VE3FPP, Treasurer- Mike Skinner VE3FIV, Secretary- Vince Graham VE3AXB, Registrar- Roy Miller VE3AAF, Sparks Editors- Ron Wragg VE3ATY and Ted Brant VE3ADD.



Claud Roy VE3WQ is back in the DX game again. He has one of the biggest erections in Bowmanville, an 80-ft. tower with a 6 element tri-band beam on top.

Peter VE3DFD has his 60ft. tower almost complete. It will hold up dipoles for now but next summer he hopes to put up a 3 element tri-band cubical quad.

I have heard rumours that a new \$6.00 charge for a change of address has been abandoned already. (Department of Communications)

Do you think this might be of some interest to our members? 73 for now.

Ralph

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## From The Chair in the Shack:

A very happy and successful New Year to all. As we enter 2005, several ham issues are looming and could have an impact on our hobby/service.

The more than half the members who are also RAC members have read recently about the studies concerning the reallocation of hf frequencies worldwide. While we seemed to have scored more bandwidth in the 40m band at the last WRC, the ITU now has study groups looking at all allocations including those we thought of as ham only. Even though short wave broadcasts have been cut to North America, many other parts of the world are looking at setting up new broadcasting operations. Some of you may know that even rebel groups try to have their own stations to reach the hearts of their supporters. It appears that, with cheap sets pouring out of China, this is still an effective way to reach large populations.

Those of us who have been following Broadband over Power line have also been aware of the immense interference potential it represents. It seems that Industry Canada may simply follow any American decisions.

Those of us who have committed or are thinking of committing to ARES work should also be aware that there is no automatic insurance if a radio mistake causes damage during a disaster. If we are called out, we can demand to sign papers, which will make us government employees and thus offer insurance but without this, we can be in trouble. One solution: don't be a helper until called out and properly signed up.

Now, amidst all this seemingly bad news, comes the good news. Radio Amateurs of Canada have representation on both Canadian and world decision making bodies that might save us from the threats. At present we are represented by Ken Pulfer and Jim Dean who are both expert in the field of regulations. They are careful to find and point out any wording that might impact the amateur community. They need our support, big time!

RAC now has a divided membership scheme by which you can be a member without the cost of the magazine. For those who have financial limits, this will be good news. It means that you can support the work of RAC for less.

But wait there's more! RAC has been working on an insurance program, which will offer liability coverage to all members and registered clubs (we are one). Check out this link for more information; <http://www.rac.ca/service/liabins.htm>. In addition, there is a card from RAC, which will give members discounts at major ham retailers. Put this together with an incentive program with prizes and joining RAC has never looked so good.

We often hear that ham radio is dying. If it is, then there are many of us who have allowed it to happen. RAC, on the other hand, has developed a school program to put ham radio into the classroom. RAC is also a source of answers for amateurs of any age who need information. As someone who has asked people like Jim Dean questions and had prompt and complete answers, I can tell you that RAC is a wonderful resource.

If you are already a member and have a spouse who is a ham, consider a separate membership without magazine for your spouse and let the number of member hams reflect your family's interest. Every membership helps to make RAC more representative in the eyes of Industry Canada.

Gee I hate to harangue you so early in the year. Just help out in any way you can won't you?

73 de Pete

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Here we are at the start of the year. We have a great deal to be thankful for and we should all be proud of the Club's accomplishments in the year past.

I've promised myself that I'd get the 20m Dipole up and connected pronto. I guess, now that the temperature is dropping the time is about right to act. More than one seasoned HAM has indicated that the only time a "real" HAM puts up an antenna is in the freezing cold or a howling wind or driving rain. I don't know why that is, but I'm following the tradition.

I plan to continue having fun. I did manage to write Ireland in the log during the RAC Winter contest, along with the Texas Panhandle and Wyoming. I got BC Alberta, Saskatchewan, Quebec, and Nova Scotia. Sadly I missed New Zealand and Mexico, they were being worked by our brothers to the south who were running a kilowatt or more. I'll wait for better conditions so my 100watts can 'get there". I acquired a tuner for vertical antennas. My next step is to make a vertical antenna. I will gratefully receive all ideas.

Let's all get ready for the year ahead.

Your humble scribe.

Ken

VE3RMK